ARCHIBALD BUCHANAN. Upper Mariborough, Apral's 3, 17/44 rince George's county, the subscriber will ai-ollows, in order to receive the public and evies, clergy's dues, lawyers and officers fees, is is his last collection, he hopes all perform re outstanding balances, will come prepared them, as well as this year a charge; which ent trouble to themselves, and their humble RALPH PORSTER, Sheriff,

RALPH FORSTER, Sherif, of the highest band and thursday, the light of May. Magruder's warehouse, Friday urday, the 20th and eith of May. Piscatase Friday and Saturday in Whitsun week, the 128th of May. Broad Creek, on Monday the My. Bladensburg, Tuesday, and Wedner, 31st of Miy, and it of Jones Baldwin's tahursday the 2d of June. Queen, Anne, Friday irday, the 3d and 2th of June. And 2t Uplbordugh, every day afterwards; till the ruh

old on the premises, to the highest hidder, on three tobacco houles, corn houle, milk houle, dry other out houses, a very good apple or ontaining upwards of two hundred and bearing fmall peach orchard, and many other fruit The land lays level and is fig either for plantarming; the plantation it in very good repair.
JEREMIAH SOWLER.

Kent county, Jan 5, 1244.
Inbscriber's falary being lessened in value
most one half by an act passed the last and in this province; he finds it negetary fupport of his family and other purposes, to therefore opened a granimar [chool at his n Kent county, about five miles from Rock shere gentlesten may have their four board of taught the latin and greek tongues are pounds per annum, and the greater can of them.

ROBERT READ

Annapolus, lan 27, 774
IGGS and DONAL DSON suctors, usy makes and ladiesthabit-makers, take this method in the public; that they have not imported on the public; that they have not imported on the large quantity of the belt material yang on the five material bunnels and a money of the foule where Mr. Robert Pink tely fived. All orders from their conductivities of the above by anchorage out their investment of the above by anchorage out ill be changingly received and specially expenses.

B. Ladies and gentlemen from the count fred to lend the cash for first goods 41 th e pleased to order. XHXHXHXHXHXHXHXHXHX

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(XXIXIN YEAR.)

## MARTLAND GAZETTE.

H U R S D JUNE 2, .. 1774.

On Monday morning last arrived here on their return from Williamsburgh for Philadelphia, the hon. Andrew Allen, and James Tilghman, Esqrs; as also Richard Tilghman, Esqrs; as also Richard Tilghman, Esqr; barrifler at law—by author ave are favoured with a Virginia gazette, of the 26th ult. from which we have extraded the following important intelligence.

Williamsburgh, May 26, 1774.

N Tuesday last, the honourable house of burgeffes came to the following resolution, which was directed to forthwith printed and published: "this house being deeply impressed with apprehension of the great dangers to be derived to British America, from the hofile invasion of the city of Boston in our fister colony of Massachusetts-Bay, whose commerce and harbour are, on the first day of June next, to be stopped by an area force; deem it highly necessary that the first conare, on the first day of June next, to be stopped by an amed force; deem it highly necessary that the said first day of June be set apart by the members of this house, as a day of fasting, humiliation, and prayer, devoutly to implore the divine interposition for averting the heavy calamity which threatens destruction to our civil what and the evils of civil years to since the said the evils of civil years. rights, and the evils of civil war; to give us one heart, and one mind, firmly to oppose by all just and proper means every injury to American rights; and that the minds of his majesty and his parliament, may be in-foired from above wisdom, moderation, and justire; to remove from the loyal people of America all cause of danger, from a continued pursuit of measures pregnant with their ruin.

Ordered therefore, that the members of this house do famend in their places at the hour of ten in the forenoon, on the faid first day of June next, in order to proceed with the speaker, and the mace to the church in this city for the purposes aforesaid; and that the wend Mr. Price be appointed to read prayers, and the inverend Mr. Gwatkin to preach a fermon fuitable to

the occasion." Upon the reverend Mr. Gwatkin's petitioning to be excused from complying with his appointment, the reverend Mr. Price, chaplain to the house, was directed to preach in his stead:

Friday, May 27th. Yesterday between three and four o'clock, P. M. the right honourable the earl of Dunmore, fent a message to the honourable the house of burgeffes, by the cierk of the council, requiring their immediate attendance in the council chamber, when his excellency spoke to them as follows:

Mr. speaker, and gentlemen of the house of burgesses, I have in my hand a paper published by order of your house, conceived in such terms, as reflect highly upon his majesty, and the parliament of Great-Britain; which

makes it necessary for me to dissolve you, and you are disolved accordingly.

And this day at ten o'clock, the honourable members of the late house of burgesses met by agreement at the long-room in the Raleigh tavern in this city, called the Apollo; when the following agreement was unanimoully entered into by that patriotic assembly, in sup-pert of the constitutional liberties of America, against the late oppressive act of the British parliament respetting the town of Poston, which in the end must arfeet all the other colonies.

We his majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects the late representatives of the good people of this country, having been deprived by the sudden interposition of the executive part of this government, from giving men the advice we wished to convey to them in a legislative capacity; find ourselves under the hand necessity of adopting this, the only method we have left, of pointing out to our countrymen such measures u in our opinion are best fitted to secure our dearest rights and liberty from destruction, by the heavy hand of power now lifted against North-America. With much grief we find that our dutiful applications to Great-Britain, for security of our just, ancient and confitutional rights, have been not only difregarded, but that a determined lystem is formed and pressed for reducing the inhabitants of British America to slavery, by subjecting them to the payment of taxes; imposed without the confent of the people or their representatives; and that in pursuit of the system, we find an act of the British parliament lately passed for stopping the harbour and commerce of the town of Boston, in our fister colony of Massachusetts-Bay, until the people there sub-mit to the payment of such unconstitutional taxes, and which act most violently and arbitrarily deprives them of their property, in wharfs erected by private persons at their own great and proper expence; which act is, in our opinion, a most dangerous attempt to destroy the confinutional liberty and rights of all North-America.

It is farther our opinion, that as tea on its impoi ton into America is skarged with a duty imposed by paliament for the purpose of raising a revenue, without the confent of the people, it ought not to be used by any person who wishes well to the constitutional rights and liberty of British America. And whereas the India. the India company have ungenerously attempted the fum of America, by fending many ships loaded with tea into the tolonies, thereby intending to fix a precedent in favour of arbitrary taxation; we deem it highly proper, and do accordingly recommend it strongly to our countrymen, not to purchase or use any kind of Edst-India commodity whatsoever; except saltpetre and

spices, until the grievances of America are redressed. We are farther clearly of opinion that an attack made on one of our filter colonies to compel fubmission to arbitrary taxes, is an attack made on all British America, and threatens ruin to the rights of all, unless the united wisdom of the whole be applied. And for this purpose it is recommended to the committee of correspondence, that they communicate with their several corresponding committees on the expediency of appointing deputies from the feveral colonies of British, America to meet in general congress, at such place annually as shall be thought most convenient; there to deliberate on those general measures which the united interests of America may from time to time require.

A tender regard for the interest of our fellow subjects, the merchants and manufacterers of Great-Britain, pievents us from going farther at this time; mast earnestly hoping that the constitutional principle of taxing the colonies without their confent will not be perfitted in, thereby to compel us, against our will, to avoid all commercial intercourse with Britain. Wishing them and our people free and happy, we are their affectionate friends the late representatives of Virginia.

The above was immediately figured by the honouable the speaker and all the members of the late house of burgeiles, as well as by a number of clergymen and other inhabitants of the colony, who after having maturely confidered the contents of the affociation, did moit cordially approve and accede thereto.

This vening there is to be a ball and entertainment at the capital, given by the honourable the house of burgestes, to welcome lady Dunmore and the rest of our governor's family to Virginia.

ExtruEs of private letters from London, dated April 7 and 8, to persons in New-York and Philadelphia.

ITH the most anxious and deep concern, I fit down to give you some account of the bitter things that are meditated against america, and thro' her against England itself, and that constitution, by which it has long been distinguished among the nations, as a land of freedom and happiness, and an asylum against tyranny and oppression-A distinction, alas! that now subsists no more! and must be for ever lost, unless kind Providence should interpose, to save us from that flavery and darkness, which has well night overspread the face of the whole earth. America, the last resort of retiring Freedom, is now to be invaded, and the fugitive driven from her peaceful recesses there, that so she may find no resting place on this side

A plan of despotism and arbitrary power, has incesfantly been pursued, during the present reign; thro' all the ministerial changes and manœuvres, that has still been the grand object in view; and may explain all those intricate movements of government, which otherwife appear quite mysterious and unaccountable; espe-tially with regard to the colonies, it may account for that obstinate perseverance in measures paipably inconfistent with every principle of the English constitution, of justice, and of common sense; which have been attended with almost infinite expence, trouble and difficulty, both to the colonies and Great-Britain itself; when at the same time a plain, easy and certain way to peace, harmony and prosperity lies so open before us, that none can mistake it, and yet offers itself in vain. An absolute, arbitrary government, has infinite charms for a multitude of haugh inxurious p terers that ever-furround a throne, and hope to fliare with it in tyrannizing over the people, and rioting on their spoils. No wonder that such as these should prevail on a young monarch to be pleased with, to countenance and adopt their plan. Unlimitted power is generally a most desirable object, especially to youth and inexperience—and a few are distrustful of themfelves, or imagine that it would be unfafe in their hands;

In England almost every obstruction to the execution of this plan, is removed: places of high trust and importance, are bestowed upon those who will act in subserviency to the views of the court; those who might impede those views, are divested of power, and disabled from any effectual opposition. Experience, has shewn, that the pensions and places in the gift of the crown have as great an influence, on the nobility, whole estates might set them above dependence, as upon common men-for luxury is boundless, and can render the possession of the greatest estate as needy as a beggar, and, as vulnerable to the influence of a bribe. As for the commons, those natural guardians of the liberties and properties of the people, tho' there are many worthy men among them, who do their utmost to stem the torrent of corruption, and preserve their country; yet their number is too small to answer the end: the eloquence of ticero, the most confummate knowledge of the interests of their country, and zeal for its service, the greatest abilities and integrity, are all rendered entirely useless by a corrupt majority of ministerial tools, who vote just as they are directed: this louse, therefore, which used to be the bulwark of the people's fecurity, ferves now only to give the form or appearance of legality to acts of real tyranny and oppression, by which they are deprived of their liberty and property. A great majority of the house are returned by little venal boroughs, bribed by the nation's own money, to

elect fuch men as the ministry choose, and afterwards command to vote as they please. A friend well acquainted with the internal state of Great-Britain, assures me, "that many boroughs in the kingdom

" have scarce ten persons qualified to vote for a reprefentative in parliament, and that all who are qualified are under the influence of some noble man, or fquire, who, if he had no person of his own family to put in, transfers the election, or rather nomination, to fuch adventurers as choose to purchase a seat as a means of climbing the hill of preferment. In the forme places there is not even the thadow of an election or town meeting. The fovereign, bailiff, or rather returning officer, with two or three burgefles, go privately to the fession house, and in a moment name such a one, as duly elected, without " the appearance of a candidate.

"What a farce are such transactions, when the li-berties of the people are thus played away of a game, wherein a corrupt government, and an ambitious covetous landlord are the only gainers!" All things being thus ripe in England for the open introduction of arbitrary power, nothing feems to have prevented , but the struggles of the Americans to preserve their liberties. These struggles have been doubly mortifying to the ministry, as they have thereby been not only prevented from levying a revenue upon America, but from executing their scheme, in its full extent, upon England. And unless that scheme be very soon executed, it is in danger of being blown up entirely; for matters have rifen to fuch a crifis, the uneafiness and diffress of the nation are become so general, that some violent commotion seems inevitable, and near at hand; and if a revolution should happen, and fail to establish despotism in England, it would probably be fatal to those who have attempted to introduce it. The most strenuous efforts therefore will now be made, both by force and fraud to reduce the Americans to a conformity with the measures of the ministry, who are enraged and distracted at the obstructions they meet with from that quarter.

I therefore earneftly warn you to firmness and vigi-lance, every art will be used, both to intimidate, and to deceive you, may God direct you to be wife and faithful to yourselves and to your country, and crown your endeavours with success. You have every thing at stake that can be dear to reasonable creatures; your freedom, your property, your posterity, your honour. The very ministry who are striving to enslave you, in spight of themselves, both honour and fear you; but if

they succeed against you, will despise and spurn you.

About a fortnight ago an act of parliament of a most extraordinary kind, to shut up the port of Boston, was patied in a most extraordinary manner, being smug-gled through the house in seventeen days only from its introduction. The evidence before the privy council was suppressed, the agents refused a hearing at the bar, and no member for Boston or America in either house. Nor had the merchants and manufacturers in England, who will be deeply affected by the execution of this act, any proper notice of it, or opportunity to remonstrate against it. Indeed it is openly said that many a thousand pounds were issued from the treasury to obtain a majority in the house, and hurry it through before there should be time for oppofition: So that when a body of merchants, trading to Boston and America, waited on Lord North with a request that a petition might be heard against the bill, to find they were too late, and that the bill had already passed. As his majesty has, by the act, a conditional power to suspend its operation, in case the tea destroy: ed at Boston should be paid for, the merchants offered Lord North 7. 19.000, or a fecurity to the India com-pany to pay for the tea, if that suspension of the act might be procured from his majesty. But these offers were refused, and the merchants went away much disfatified—as thinking people are in general, against the proceedings of the ministry, especially in respect to this. law, and the manner of getting it palled, which was with as much privicy and halte as possible, so that it is hardly yet known in the manufacturing towns which will be hurt by it. It is expected to raise great clamour and uneafiness as soon as it comes to be generally known, and felt, by the labouring people, and the trade, the stoppage of which, it is imagined, in a few months will convince the ministry they have acted wrong. Another new bill, as extraordinary as the Botton

bill, only more general in its operation, is in agitation, in the privy council; and like the Boston bill it is intended to be imuggled through the house. God grant it may be stopped in its progress, or deseated of its defign. It is expected here that America will be furpriafed or frightened into a compliance with it, by the intended alarming clauses in it, and the spirited manner of enforcing p

vigilance, fortitude, and wisdom to God give avoid the in them,

General Cage is appointed governor and-commander in chief of Massachusetts Bay, with very extensive powers. Under him are to be a fet of officers, approved by the ministry, to be made counsellors, and enforce the parliamentary laws, with the (apparent) confent of the people.